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March 23, 2015

TESTIMONY TO THE
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LABOR & PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT
For Hearing on Tuesday, March 24, 2015
9:45 a.m., Conference Room 309

By

JAMES K. NISHIMOTO
OFFICE OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING, CHIEF NEGOTIATOR

**Senate Bill Nos. 1076 S.D.1; 1077 S.D.1; 1078 S.D.1; 1079 S.D.1;
1080 S.D.1; 1081 S.D.1; 1082 S.D.1; 1083 S.D.1; and 1084 S.D.1
Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items**

(WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY)

CHAIRPERSON NAKASHIMA, VICE CHAIR KEOHOKALOLE AND MEMBERS OF
THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LABOR & PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT:

These bills provide fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for bargaining units (14), (2), (3), (4), (5), (10), (11), (8) and (9) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the respective bargaining unit representatives for fiscal biennium 2015 – 2017.

The Office of Collective Bargaining (OCB) is **IN SUPPORT** of these bills.

OCB is in favor of these bills continuing to proceed through the legislative process to ensure adequate funding of negotiated cost items.

TESTIMONY BY WESLEY K. MACHIDA
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE
STATE OF HAWAII
TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT
ON
SENATE BILL NO. 1081, S.D. 1

March 24, 2015

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

This administration proposal is a vehicle bill to appropriate and authorize funds for collective bargaining cost items for salary adjustments and other cost adjustments for public employees represented by the United Public Workers belonging to Bargaining Unit 10 (institutional employees) and their excluded counterparts for Fiscal Biennium 2015-17.

Although this unit currently has a contract in place through June 30, 2017, the Department of Budget and Finance supports moving this measure, or a similar one, as the contract has re-opener provisions related to Employer-Union Health Benefit Trust Fund employer contributions and vehicle bills will be necessary should an agreement be reached prior to the end of the legislative session.



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

Testimony Presented Before the
House Committee on Labor & Public Employment
March 24, 2015 at 9:45 am Room 309

by
Kalbert Young
Vice President – Budget & Finance & Chief Financial Officer
University of Hawai'i

SB 1081 SD1 – MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

Chair Nakashima, Vice Chair Keohokalole, and members of the Labor & Public Employment Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to testify. The University of Hawai'i (UH) supports SB1081 SD1, Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items. This measure would provide fund authorization and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items on behalf of UH employees represented by unit (10) and their excluded counterparts, pursuant to collective bargaining agreements between the State of Hawai'i and the bargaining unit for fiscal biennium 2015-2017.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
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Elena Cabatu	East Hawaii Region of Hawaii Health Systems Corporation	Support	No

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Quality Healthcare For All

House Committee on Labor & Public Employment

Representative Mark Nakashima, Chair

Representative Jarrett Keohokalole, Vice Chair

March 24, 2015
Conference Room 309
9:45 a.m.
Hawaii State Capitol

Testimony Supporting Senate Bill 1081, SD1

Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items.

Provides fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit (10) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2015-2017.

Linda Rosen, M.D., M.P.H.
Chief Executive Officer
Hawaii Health Systems Corporation

On behalf of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) Corporate Board of Directors, thank you for the opportunity to present testimony in **support of SB 1081, SD1**.

HHSC strongly supports this bill that will appropriate funding from the General Fund to provide our approximately 1,100 institutional, health, and correctional workers with their negotiated or arbitrated wages. HHSC requests that the Legislature pass this measure.

We appreciate the Committee's focus on improving healthcare for our island communities. Thank you for the opportunity to testify before this committee.

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